Amherst Planning Board Zoning Subcommittee Wednesday, October 21, 2009 Amherst Town Hall - Town Room

MINUTES

Attendance

Members Present: Jonathan O'Keeffe, Bruce Carson, Richard Roznoy

Members Absent: None

Other Planning Board Members present: None

Staff present: Jonathan Tucker, Planning Director; Jeff Bagg, Senior Planner

Others present and participating: Tom Ehrgood (ZBA liaison)

Discussion

The meeting began at 5:10 p.m.

The subcommittee discussed the status of the article regulating sign area, including the question of whether the first section of the article was necessary. The subcommittee decided that the first section was unnecessary and should be removed in the motion for this article.

The subcommittee discussed the status of the article on green roofs and permeable paving. There was a consensus that the portion of the article dealing with permeable pavement should be referred back to the Planning Board for further study.

The subcommittee discussed the article extending the sunset of the Phased Growth bylaw. Mr. O'Keeffe noted that the Planning Board would be holding a Public Hearing on the article at the meeting later that evening. The subcommittee voted 3-0 to recommend that the board approve the article.

The subcommittee discussed the articles on the creation of the Neighborhood Business zoning district and the rezoning of properties around the train depot using this and other zoning districts. Mr. O'Keeffe summarized the changes in the B-N district that had been made since the warrant was published, and indicated that the Planning Board would be holding Public Hearings on both of these articles at its meeting later that evening. The subcommittee voted 3-0 to recommend that the board approve the B-N article, and voted 3-0 to recommend that the board approve the Depot center rezoning article.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jonathan O'Keeffe, subcommittee member

[Minutes approved 1/19/11]